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SUBJ: PRISONER VISITATION PROGRAM

1. IN ITS CONCERTED EFFORT TO COMPLY WITH BOTH THE SPIRIT AND LETTER OF THE DEPARTMENT'S GUIDELINES FOR CONDUCTED PRISONER VISITATION PROGRAM, BOTH EMBASSY AND CONSTITUENT POSTS CONSULAR OFFICERS HAVE, IN THE PAST FOUR TO SIX WEEKS, VISITED 28 OF THE 32 MEXICAN PENAL INSTITUTIONS IN WHICH AMERICAN CITIZENS ARE KNOWN TO BE INCARCERATED. THE PRISONS AND THE DATES ON WHICH EACH WAS VISITED ARE AS FOLLOWS:

CONSULAR

DISTRICT	PRISON	DATE VISIT
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NUEVO LAREDO	LALOMA	30 APR. '75
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GUADALAJARA	ZACATECAS	3 APR. '75
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GUANAJUATO	7 MAY '75
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GUADALAJARA	7 MAY '75
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MORELIA	9 MAY '75
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HERMOSILLO	HERMOSILLO	29 APR. '75
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NOGALES	28 APR. '75
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SAN LUIS RIO COLORADO	NOT VISITED
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CIUDAD OBREGON	7 MAY '75
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NAVOJOA	7 MAY '75
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MATAMOROS	MATAMOROS	6 MAY '75
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REYNOSA	23 APR. '75
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MERIDA      MERIDA      6 MAY '75  
COZUMEL      24 APR '75

MONTERREY    MONTERREY    23 APR. '75  
PIEDRAS NEGRAS 17 APR. '75  
SALTILLO      2 APR. '75  
PARRAS      24 APR. '75  
DURANGO      4 APR. '75  
TORREON      3 APR. '75  
SAN LUIS POTOSI 17 APR. '75  
CIUDAD VICTORIA NOV. '74

TIJUANA      LA MESA      25 APR. '75  
ENSENADA      1 APR. '75  
LA PAZ      16 APR. '75  
MEXICALI      24 APR. '75

CIUDAD JUAREZ JUAREZ      7 MAY '75  
CHIHUAHUA      7 MAY '75

MAZATLAN    LOS MOCHIS (SINALOA) NOT VISITED.  
TEPIC (NEGARIT) NOT VISITED  
CULIACAN      8 PAR. '75  
MAZATLAN      6 MAY '75

2. CIUDAD VICTORIA PRISON, IN THE MONTERREY CONSULAR DISTRICT, HAS NOT BEEN VISITED SINCE NOVEMBER 1974. THE ONLY AMCIT PRISONER, ROBERT MALVAIS, SERVING 15 YEAR SENTENCE FOR HOMICIDE, HAS REQUESTED THAT HE NOT BE REGARDED AS AMERICAN CITIZEN OR VISITED.

3. SAN LUIS RIO COLORADO PRISON, IN HERMOSILLO DISTRICT, HAS NOT BEEN VISITED RECENTLY, BUT WILL BE

4. LOS MOCHIS AND TEPIC PRISONS (ONE AND FIVE PRISONERS RESPECTIVELY), IN MAZATLAN CONSULAR DISTRICT, HAVE NOT BEEN VISITED LAST SIX MONTHS DUE WORKLOAD AND FACT PRINCIPAL OFFICER ALONE PART OF TIME. VISITS TO BOTH PRISONS PLANNED NEXT MONTH.

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5. ALTHOUGH OUR GOAL IS TO VISIT EACH PRISON ON ONCE-A-MONTH SCHEDULE, SOME PRISONS ARE ACTUALLY VISITED MUCH MORE FREQUENTLY. FOR EXAMPLE, MATAMOROS IS VISITED AT LEAST TWICE WEEK AND DAILY CONTACT IS MADE BY TELEPHONE; MONTERREY AT LEAST WEEKLY; TIJUANA ALMOST DAILY; NOGALES SOMETIMES TWICE MONTH; CIUDAD JUAREZ AT LEAST ONCE AND SOMETIMES 2-3 TIMES A WEEK. THE MORE DIFFICULT TASK IS VISITING OUTLYING PRISONS WHICH ARE

FROM 300 TO 1,000 MILES DISTANCE FROM CONSULATED AND  
FOR WHICH ONE TO THREE FULL DAYS NEEDED, INCLUDING TRAVEL  
TIME ON NOW-AND-THEN MEXICAN AIRLINE SCHEDULES. LIMITED  
STAFFS AT SMALL POSTS, TURNOVER IN STAFF AT MOST POSTS,  
AND BURGEONING INCREASES IN WORKLOADS EVERYWHERE HAVE  
COMPLICATED TASK. NEVERTHELESS, IMPORTANT INCREASES IN  
TRAVE FUNDS FOR PRISON VISITS HAVE BEEN AUTHORIZED AND  
EVERY EFFORT IS BEING MADE TO GIVE HIGHEST PRIORITY TO  
USING AVAILABLE MANPOWER RESOURCES TO THE FULLEST TO  
INSURE PROTECTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS OF THE AMCIT PRISONERS  
IN QUESTION.

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